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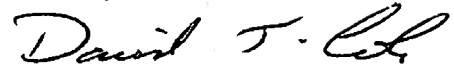
In response to the non-final Office Action issued March 9, 2004 in connection with the above application, the applicants hereby elect Species F, the Species of Figure 6. Claims 1, 7-12, 15, 17, 18 and 20 read on this species.

However, the election requirement is traversed. More specifically, the election requirement is traversed on the groups that the statement in the Office Action that there is no generic claim is in error; claim 1 is generic to the all the species of Figures 1-10. (The undersigned attorney assumes that Paragraph K of the Office Action should have referred to the species of Figure 10, rather than the species of Figure 9.)

Reconsideration and allowance of all claims present in this application is respectfully requested.

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